

AUBURN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
March 27, 2006
Regular Session 6:00 p.m.

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California with Mayor Mike Holmes presiding and City Clerk Joseph Labrie recording the minutes.

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Kevin Hanley, Keith Nesbitt, Bridget Powers, Bob Snyder, Mike Holmes

Council Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: City Manager Bob Richardson
City Attorney Mike Colantuono
Police Chief Valerie Harris
Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi
Community Development Director Will Wong
Finance Director Andy Heath
Airport Manager Jerry Martin

**MAYOR'S COMMENDATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Proclamation: Prevent Child Abuse Month, April 2006

Mayor Holmes announced the recent celebration of the 80th wedding anniversary of Frank and Shigeyo Yamasaki. He said that, according to the Guinness Book of World Records, the record is 82 years.

The Mayor also said that he had submitted a letter to the Auburn Journal on behalf of the City to contradict the previous allegations. He said the City Council and the City Planning Commission have never rejected any application, because we have never received one from Trader Joe's to put a store in this community.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Warrants**

By **RESOLUTION 06-29** approve Warrants # 62614 through 62789 totaling \$485,348.50.

2. **Minutes**

By **MOTION** approve City Council Minutes of January 2, January 9, January 23, February 21, and February 27, 2006.

3. **Sierra College Police Range Use Agreement**

By **RESOLUTION 06-30** approve an agreement with Sierra Community College for its use of the Auburn City Firing Range from March 1, 2006 through February 28, 2007.

4. **Subrecipient Agreement with Sierra Economic Development District – CDGB Program for E.V. Cain Boys and Girls Club Facilities**

By **RESOLUTION 06-31** authorize the Community Development Director to execute a subrecipient agreement with the Sierra Economic Development District (SEDD) to administer a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for Boys and Girls Club facilities at E. V. Cain Middle School.

5. **Resolution Denying Leave to Roy Seoud to File a Late Claim**

By **RESOLUTION 06-32** deny the request of attorneys for Roy Seoud for leave to file a late claim against the City of Auburn.

***** End of Consent Calendar *****

By **MOTION** approve Consent Calendar as corrected. **MOTION: Snyder/Hanley/Approved 5:0**

6. **Public Comment**

Beau Perry, a flight instructor at the Auburn Airport, said he was making a formal complaint against the Airport Manager. He said that he and his wife wanted to start their own flight school, but were denied by the Airport Manager, who told them that only one flight school was permitted. Mr. Perry said that was illegal. He produced for the Council an event log and an advisory circular from the Federal Aviation Administration regarding Exclusive Rights And Minimum Standards For Commercial Aeronautical Activities.

Rosemary Frieborn, of Friends of Placer County Animal Shelter, requested the Council's assistance in elevating the reporting of Placer County Animal services and the construction of a new shelter in Auburn. She provided the Final Report of the Operational Review of Systems and Practices for Placer County Animal Services that was completed by the Animal Legal and Veterinary Medical Consulting Services.

Denise Obray of 132 Lincoln Way expressed concern about pedestrian safety around the Alta Vista School. She said Lincoln Way between Russell Road and Borland is especially dangerous for children because they have to "shoot across the street" in front of her house where the sidewalk ends. In light of the recent accident (child struck by a motorist), she would like the City to look at some traffic calming measures. She said the stretch between Grace and Electric Streets is also very hazardous. There is also a need for a safe walkway.

Mayor Holmes said these concerns are on the agenda of the Traffic Committee. He suggested that the citizens attend the next Committee meeting.

Timothy Lopez of 120 Diamond Street agreed with Denise Obray and suggested locations for the placement of three stop signs and a flashing light.

The Superintendent of the Auburn School District supported the previous speakers. She read a letter from Mary Helen Herrera, a crossing guard for the Alta Vista School on Lincoln Way. Ms. Herrera stated that over the past six years nothing has happened to improve safety.

Wendy Webster spoke in favor of more stringent traffic safety and enforcement.

Ronald Obray told the Council that the people are losing patience over the lack of pedestrian safety near the school.

REPORTS

7. Informational Reports from Staff

Quarterly Report: Airport Manager Jerry Martin discussed his airport objectives for 2006 as outlined in his report. He said he would address Mr. Perry's complaint at an appropriate time.

Council Members Snyder, Nesbitt and Hanley asked Mr. Martin for timelines and deadlines.

Mayor Holmes said the Council needs more specifics and a more comprehensive report. He asked Mr. Martin to provide the report at the April 10th meeting.

8. **City Council Committee Reports**

Council Member Snyder said the Regional Waste Water Authority is looking at a regional solution to wastewater management. The sewer system we have needs to be upgraded. It is going to be very expensive. The choice will not be low cost versus high cost, but high cost versus high cost. This will be one of the top three decisions the Council will have to make this year.

City Attorney Mike Colantuono added that the Federal Clean Water Act standards for public wastewater treatment systems have become more demanding and therefore will be more expensive.

Keith Nesbitt reported on the EDC.

Bridget Powers said the Traffic Committee is paying very close attention to the traffic issue at the Alta Vista School.

Mayor Holmes reported that the Sacramento Area Council Of Governments (SACOG) passed some updates to the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program. Over the next few years, for transit operations, the City of Auburn should expect about \$800,000; for the street overlay program, a little over \$600,000; for the Maidu Drive pedestrian and bicycle project, around \$500,000; and for the Auburn Transit Shelter project, \$11,300.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

9. **Ordinance Amendment (Separated Sidewalks) – File OA 05-1**

Hold a second reading by title only and by **ORDINANCE 06-3** amend Sections 101.020, 101.021, 101.024, 101.032, 158.226, 158.228, and 160.002 of the Auburn Municipal Code relating to street standards and parkway maintenance requirements.

There was no discussion by the public or Council.

MOTION: Nesbitt/Hanley/ Approved 5:0

Second reading by title only by City Attorney Michael Colantuono.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:15 p.m.

Mike Holmes, Mayor

Joseph G.R. Labrie, City Clerk